

# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

#### DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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March 1, 2005

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5 3 VOTES

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Ratify changes in work and accept completed contract work under the following construction contract:

Project ID No. RMD1546029 - Parkway Tree Trimming, RD 514, FY 2004-05, vicinity of Altadena (5), Travers Tree Service, Inc., with changes in the amount of \$5,741.00 and a final contract amount of \$73,993.00.

# PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

This action is to obtain Board ratification of Acting Director-approved changes in a public works contract and Board acceptance of the work of the contract in compliance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code. Included in the enclosure is project and contract data, the scope of work of changes to be ratified and the work of the contract to be accepted.

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The Acting Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Changes to accommodate field conditions in order to meet the intent of the plans and specifications are not subject to this monetary limitation. Enclosed for your ratification are changes in work which I ordered for Project ID No. RMD1546029.

This project has been completed, and it is recommended that your Board accept it on the date indicated in the enclosure.

## <u>Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals</u>

The acceptance of this construction contract is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since acceptance of this completed contract will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public.

## FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The modification to the contract amount is an increase of \$5,741.00, while the total value of the contract is \$73,993.00.

Ratification of the changes in work and acceptance of the work of the contract by your Board is in compliance with the acceptance and prompt payment provisions of the Public Contract Code.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for this project to cover the costs of these changes and the total value of this contract. A detailed cost breakdown for the changes and the contract cost summary are included in the enclosure.

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## **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

This contract for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Acting Director of Public Works.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The changes in the work as described above and in the enclosure are within the limits of the Board-approved projects and do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

## **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

This contract provided that the contractor be compensated for changes in the work as a result of changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs of these changes were based on contract unit prices, time and materials methods, or were negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The method for arriving at the final costs of the changes is included in the enclosure.

## **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Ratification of the requested changes and acceptance of the work of the contract by your Board will ensure the timely closeout of the contract, releasing Departmental and County assets for other construction-related activities.

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# **CONCLUSION**

Please return one approved copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD L. WOLFE Acting Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office

County Counsel

Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

# ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT March 1, 2005

# PROJECT ID NO. RMD1546029, PARKWAY TREE TRIMMING, RD 514, FY 2004-05 (in the vicinity of Altadena), Supervisorial District 5

<u>Contractor</u>: Travers Tree Service, Inc., PMB 7000-416, Palos Verdes Peninsula, California 90274

## **Project Description:**

Trimming of parkway trees.

## Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities

\$5,741.00

# **Description of Changes:**

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

## **Project Completion Date:**

The contractor completed the project on January 10, 2005, in accordance with the plans and specifications.

## Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$68,252.00
Changes in work authorized by the Acting Director	
of Public Works	<u>5,741.00</u>

FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT \$73.993.00

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